

HOUSE RESOLUTION 7002
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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate John Pitts upon being inducted into the Robert E. Musto Tennessee Insurance Hall of Fame.

WHEREAS, the members of this legislative body are pleased to specially recognize those outstanding citizens of our State whose exceptional expertise and talents have propelled them to the top of their respective professions; and

WHEREAS, John Pitts, a longtime resident of Memphis, is one such estimable person who evinces the greatest integrity and probity in all his chosen endeavors; he has recently been selected for membership in the Robert E. Musto Tennessee Insurance Hall of Fame at Middle Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pitts founded, along with partner Mat Lipscomb, Jr., the largest locally-owned independent insurance agency in the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, throughout his exemplary tenure at the helm of Lipscomb & Pitts Insurance, Mr. Pitts distinguished himself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and an exceptional asset to his community. These are the very attributes designated for induction into the Tennessee Insurance Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, a leader in the insurance industry for over fifty years, John Pitts joins an elite group of individuals, as only twenty-five insurance professionals have been inducted into the Tennessee Insurance Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pitts has twice been honored as Insuror of the Year; he has served as President of the Insurors of Tennessee, the Insurors of Memphis, and the Professional Insurance Agents, and as the State National Director of the Independent Insurance Brokers of America; and

WHEREAS, an active member of his community, John Pitts is a founder and longtime member of the Northeast Memphis Optimist Club. He is a prominent supporter of the Boy Scouts of America, being an Eagle Scout himself, an accomplishment also achieved by his son and grandson, and renders sterling service as the Chairman of the Eagle Board of Review; and

WHEREAS, a devoted family man, Mr. Pitts appreciates the time he spends with his grandchildren on travel excursions around the globe and delights in exposing them to new cultures and experiences. They have traveled the continents of Europe, Asia, North America, South America, and Africa; and

WHEREAS, a devout Christian, Mr. Pitts is a member of Faith Christian Church and has served the church in numerous capacities for many years; and

WHEREAS, John Pitts's outstanding success is directly attributable to his reliance on the time-honored values of hard work and common sense and his uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; he epitomizes the ideal of the consummate professional, dedicated public servant, and reliable friend and neighbor; and

WHEREAS, John Pitts is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and commend Mr. John Pitts on his distinguished career in insurance and his exemplary service to his community, congratulate him on being inducted into the Robert E. Musto Tennessee Insurance Hall of Fame, and offer him our best wishes for much happiness and every success in all future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.